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#### ST. PAUL A SUFFRAGIST?

If St. Paul really possessed an ironical, gently humorous vein, he may be admitted, even at this late date, to the ranks of suffrage believers and workers. Hitherto the women have taken it for granted that the great preacher was against their cause. Quietness, meekness, subjection were the words with which he taught the women of his day their place in the worldor rather, in the home.

Now, however, a woman optimist has come forward in a letter, to "The Nation" to suggest that St. Paul was joking, "poking fun at his converts" in Corinth. He admitted frankly that he "became all things to all men' in order to win them. "To the weak I became weak that I might gain the weak." Undoubtedly his Corinthian audience was "anti"-all but the ladies, who appreciated his humor thoroughly. To the men he said, "Let the women keep silence. And if they would learn anythins, let them ask their own husbands at home." And the women smiled to themselves.

It is unfortunate, at least for this woman's theory, that St. Paul never abandoned that ironical attitude long enough to express a truly sober opinion in favor of the feminists of his day.

#### A POLITICAL APPEAL TO RELIGIOUS FRENZY.

been entertained by the Catholic clergy, with regard the tourist never existed, to Pres't Wilson's Mexican policy, is directly in point, metropolis, the national committee plans by way of the movie screen to be employed by the various state com-Candidate Hughes, and against the president. Faked Mexican convents, "while the president sleeps"-with a picture of him sleeping at his desk, something like a drunken bum, -are arranged for exhibition from the

We doubt if even the Catholic clergy, with its frequently announced opposition to Pres't Wilson, will be able to stomach such un-American methods of cam-We are quite certain that better than the average among Catholic laymen will indignantly con- who in past years have thought it pardonable to com- the Federal Reserve system was in made of it. We can not definitely comes to the priesthood dominating the parish in at home matters political, it hits about the same sort of snags that the Protestant clergy does, if not sometimes, more There is religious bigotry in all churches. Assign to any of them the power to control or direct the affairs of state, and doubtful if there is a religious denomination in existence that would not embrace the opportunity, especially insofar as the clergy goes. But the American people love liberty, and above all, religious liberty, and not only for themselves, but for their fellows, which leads us to doubt if this undertaking of the republicans will appeal to much more than the Catholic priesthood, if it makes any consid-

erable appeal to that. The story back of this film production is not new. It told, urged on by an appeal from Bishop Alerding condemning the president for not intervening in Mexico, with the atrocities committed against the nuns, as his admitted inspiration. We contended then, and we contend now, that the flag of the United States is under no obligation to follow the cross, or to move to the rescue of the cross, in Mexico, or anywhere. Merely because a victim of something is of a particular religious mould, or attached to some particular religious order, does not obligate this nation to rush to their particular aid. health campaign of incalculable benefit. Besides, those Mexican nuns were not American nuns, but Mexican nuns, and while all America may regret, for Mr. Hughes, or against Mr. Wilson, by faking a pic- to bet our sweetest jimmy pipe that a positive opinion ing them upon the canvas, is fit only for the indul- tracted from Mr. Hughes with a patent, double-action lic reserves and issuing enormous and forceful conduct of the secretary gence of the veriest imps of hell.

American traditions, even in such desperate straits for in one state, and that a pivotal one, ought to be unanimously rebuked. This is a secular involved? newspaper--absolutely non-sectarian. For proof we the former that we are A. P. A.s. and that of the latter, about as much as that North sea battle did.

that we are rock-ribbed Knights of Columbus, which merely goes to show the lengths to which religious prejudice can go. We are neither, and sort of expect to be damned-to such extent as "Christians" can damn,-by the extremists of both sides, every time a religious sentiment, or an opinion-ecclesiastico, passes

We feel about the republicans attempting to inject Mexican Catholicism into this campaign, exactly the same as we do about Mayor Keller and his health board requiring medical examination of the school children of the city; affording it to the children in the public schools free, and requiring that the parents of the children in the Catholic schools pay for it. It is bringing religion into public affairs in a decidedly un- break of the European war in 1914. warranted manner. It is an attempt to penalize an Republican spellbinders, in their deopposition faith in the one instance, and the demanding sire to attain partisan advantage, of an unwarranted favoritism in the other,-a condition that shows its head every time a politico-ecclesi- eral Reserve system was not in opasticism undertakes to assert itself, and this, too, re- eration and that the government, in gardless of whether it be of Catholic or Protestant

We repeat that we cannot believe that the republi- the creations of republican congresscans will profit greatly with the masses of people by this es. Emphasis has been placed by move. Americanism is too deep-seated in the people republican debaters mainly upon the of all faiths. They will resent it. The republican na- er the outbreak of the war most tional committee in this, as in numerous others of its effective preventive operations by campaign undertakings, has underestimated the level- the treasury department were based headedness of the American people.

THE BIRD TREATY For the first time, the United States has negotiated until months after the European war and the wild animals that flourish- ed with you, treaty with a foreign nation for the protection of crisis had been weathered, but con- ed therein, she added: defrauded through patronage of any advertisement in this birds. Wild fowl which possess an international character by virtue of residing periodically in Canada and new currency system's establishment the United States, will hereafter be guarded by the co- and by the foresight of the demooperative efforts of both countries. This is the longest cratic congress in amending the Ald- ing its sharp teeth?" step yet taken in trying to preserve valuable game. species from extinction and restore the old balance of easing financial stringency. The bold nature that has been so seriously upset by the destruc- spirit in which Sec'y of the Treas-

The department of agriculture estimates that the sayed certain unprecedented acts to loss to crops in this country due to destructive insects try also had its effect in maintainamounts to more than \$800,000,000 a year. A very ing financial equilibrium large part of this loss is traceable to the indiscriminate and unlimited slaushter of the birds that formerly kept insect multiplication within bounds. The economic

And such conservation is also in the interest of history of each financial panic that sportsmen and game lovers. Many species of game of the national banking system birds have become extinct and others are on the point created by the republicans, showing of vanishing. Hunters continually increase in num- that these disturbances bers, even while there is continually less to hunt. Laws thrust upon the country by causes have been feebly enforced. Lately, however, there has been marked improvement both in legislation and in were so small as to appear inconhe public attitude toward the problem. Nearly all the sequential. states have enacted more stringent protective game laws, and tightened the enforcement of old laws. Federal action has helped to unify state measures and to years maintained and bequeathed to afternoon in a church in Cleveland be mere phantom. do what they could not do in safeguarding the migratory birds. The new treaty admirably supplements

#### NO MORE "WICKED PARIS."

Any effort of the republicans to induct religious city that has long had the reputation of being the frenzy into the presidential campaign, will do it more wickedest place in the world is to change its character. harm than good, if we read the signs of the times Or rather, it is to change its reputation, by getting of logic aright. The moving picture film being produced in rid of the superficial evils that have served to conceal New York for the republican national committee, ap- its character. For it is said by those who really know propriating a complaint that has for a year or more that famous "city of light," that the wicked Paris of

Paris has been misunderstood and defamed because the Aldrich-Vreeland act. From stagings at Sheepshead bay, just outside the of its extreme tolerance. It has had its gaiety, its frivolity, its flaunting vice; but in them the genuine Parisian has had small share. The well known cafes because both interest charges and mittees, to drive Catholics into religious frenzy for and the questionable resorts have been run almost en- the character of securities required tirely by foreigners, and patronized by foreigners. The scenes of Villaista atrocities against Catholic nuns in people of Paris, more serious and home-loving than the casual visitor could imagine, have gone about their own decent affairs and let the foreigners play and gossip.

Hereafter Paris is not to be so tolerant. The flaunting vice and commercialized frivolity are to be swept away. Paris is to represent more adequately the moral qualities that have been made known in this war as tained upon those collaterals genthe true characteristics of the French nation. That erally held by financial institutions. works of public utility, he is imand we have grave forebodings that when it mit, in Paris, the follies they would not have committed

### A CHILDREN'S HEALTH CENSUS.

The Chicago board of education has decreed that no pupil shall be accepted by any school for the opening the conditions produced by the who possesses it, becomes a kind of fall term without a physician's certificate showing that European war which was declared nightmare. The miser is only one that there is no such disease in his family. The examnations are made free of charge. Doubtless there are the morning of Aug. 2, 1914, it was fear, many other cities doing likewise. And it would be an of the aggregate value of \$750,000,- There is a species of alienation excellent thing if every city in the country would adopt

The policy in this case is inspired by fear of in- the value of this crop depended idiocy. It is not an affliction peculiar port, is the fact that each year we fantile paralysis. But it is evident that the salutary substantially all of the business and to rich men. On the contrary, it afeffects will go vastly further than protection against this one disease. It will enable the school authorities has been discussed from Catholic pulpits locally, we are to prevent the schools from becoming the breeding grounds of any epidemic whatsoever. And no less im- south alone. For 60 days practically will ever reach it. Their day is one portant is the knowledge the authorities may gain of all shipments of every kind to long adventure in scraping and the physical condition of the children examined. it will amount to a health census of the whole school kind of embargo as would have tion of their purpose. But the in- war-weary world that if the rulers population. And if the doctors' examinations are made been produced had our shores been as thorough as they ought to be, resulting in the discovery of adenoids, eye and ear troubles and other ailments that affect the health and education of the pletely disarranged. pupils, the school authorities will be prepared for a

### WHAT WOULD CHARLEY DO?

and does regret the insults, the assaults, and attacks | For pure cussedness and sure and speedy hellish remade upon them by the Villaistas, it is now pretty well suits that interborough strike, having reached the shot- by extended recognized that nothing that has happened in Mexico gun stage in New York, is richer in promise than half since the outbreak of the revolution, could be more ex- a dozen railroad brotherhood strikes. Inasmuch as it clusively a Mexican internal affair. The attempt to in- is in Mr. Hughes' own balliwick, we would be pleased to flame Americans of like religious faith into a frenzy see him try his hand at mediation. But we are ready days' time had taken from us 48 fact of the war.' ture of those insults, assaults and attacks, and throw- as to the merits of the New York strike can't be ex-

This is the sentiment of millions of excellent Catho- It's one thing to side with the rich owners of 225,000 money. lics hundreds of them right here in South Bend. It miles of rail lines, against 400,000 employes, where the is needless to refer to the Protestant resentment that is said employes are scattered over 48 states; it's quite bound to inspire. Say nothing of the insult to the another thing to buck up against some 60,000 voters president, the un-Americanism of it, the violation of all and several times as many sympathizers, concentrated

an issue as the republican party seems to find itself. But are not the two cases identical in principles

submit both Catholic and Protestant opinion; that of The Maine election seems to have satisfied both sides

## Democrats Laid Basis For Nation's Present Prosperity

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 .- An interesting quirk of the political campaign has been the effort of republicans to deny the democratic adthe time the war broke out the Fedthat momentous August, relied solely upon financial laws which were fact that in the "parlous" period aftupon an utilization of the Aldrich-

Vreeland, demergency currency act. It is of the record that the fedfidence had been inspired by public knowledge of the imminence of the rich-Vreeland act so as to make t a workable instrumentality for urer McAdoo and Pres't Wilson essupply the credit needs of the coun-

Reed Scrutinizes Bill. An exposition of the question that will bear the strictest non-partisan scrutiny was made by Sen. Reed of

With similar references to the inefficient and dangerous system sought, first, to recify the fundawhich democratic foresight is extolled with a very excellent show

"In order to provide for existing ng and currency system could be

"That bill had been a dead letter upon the statute books for six years. It was absolutely unworkable,

Interest Charges Reduced. "We revised the Aldrich-Vreeland law so that interest charges

rich-Vreeland act were in force and with the disposition which he has process of creation when the deny the veracity of the individual European war suddenly broke upon testimony of immensely rich men

es which produced panics for 40 ness when it exceeds the self-satisyears. I now challenge attention to fying manipulation of the individual

cotton had shrunk to three cents a known to psychologists as "mone;

suspended payments. "The various war powers declar- curities \$3,500,000,000.

this period has since been indefinite- out a moment's warning, and yet While refusing payment of Amer- rock of Gibraltar.

### Markets Cut Off.

condition exists to a large extent and gone to the bottom.

'In the single month of August, cial system and substituted stability

"On top of this Eurone began safety for danger."

# THE MELTING POT

FILLED BY THE EDITORIAL STAFF

The summit of the human male is radiant and fair When it is duly garnished with the proper kind of hair; For Nature, when she gave to man a stately shock of mane Was moved by true artistic taste whose trend was not in vain No fish who gildes the tropic waves or bird who decks the sky Is more completely pleasing to the cultivated eye.

But when the ornament is so innumerous and rare That one must use a microscope to see if it is there, The proud and haughty masterpiece of all creation-craft Becomes a sight at which impulsive peoples long have laughed He has to hustle boodle with extreme financial art Ere he can reasonably hope to win a woman's heart.

So when you view a fellow man with scalp extremely nude, Please do not aggravate his woes by phrases raw and rude; For while it's sad to lose a leg, an optic or an arm Or have a creditor foreclose his mortgage on your farm, The climax of calamity, catastrophe and care Is being owner of a head which hasn't any hair.

#### NATURE FAKING.

A Long Island teacher was recounting the story of Red Riding eral reserve act was not established Hood. After describing the woods had met her before he got acquaint-

> "Suddenly Red Riding Hood heard great noise. She turned about, and what do you suppose she saw standing there, gazing at her, show-

#### CONVENIENT.

seashore to get tanned.' "I know it. When I was a boy ! never had to go any further than I break a window yesterday and my to the woodshed"-N. Y. World. TOO POLITE,

Mother-What did you say" Little Boy-I said I wished pa

Little Boy-Yes, ma, I was

A. B. B.

#### WHERE PA FELL DOWN. "We dined out last night. Pa dis-

'He got to the end of the dinner "Teddy Roosevelt!" volunteered with three forks and two spoons still

#### HOW HE KNEW. Tommy-We're

Johnnie-How do I know? Didn't mother didn't say a word.

#### DIETARY.

Little Boy-That lady that talk- She-Before we were married you ed to me in the park gave me some said I looked good enough to eat. He-I know, but there was not Mother-I hope you were polite. any pure food law them-Judge.

## With Other Editors Than Ours

#### LOVE AND WEALTH.

(Scranton, Pa., Times). John D. Rockefeller, in a trief ad- love and happiness to what men like which the republican party for 50 dress which he delivered on Sunday Rockefeller and Carnegie assert to the democratic party." Sen. Reed to the congregation, declared that went on to show how the democrats his greatest happiness did not con-Rockefeller speaks of love in the in him, the consciousness of his own ed and which is as useless to him might be drawn about the country emergencies and such contingencies personally as the pebbles on the it would be impossible to starve beach. Those to whom the burdens American stomachs into capitulainaugurated, the democrats revised down Rockefeller as a hypocrite. It is easy for a man who is wealthy, they will say, to pretend to despise wealth. Money is power. The indi-

love and health. If it can not purchase a good reputation, it can gild a bad one, to make it look like new. Although Andrew Carnegie is yet a "I have referred to the small caus- wealth so far from bringing happi-

000. On the evening of that day very prevalent in the United States. commercial prosperity of that great fects most seriously those who, as a domain lying south of the Mason and rule, are on the road to wealth, but 25 per cent of the yield of the prinwho have not yet reached that goal, cipal cereals. "Calamity did not fall on the and who are not confident that they Europe were discontinued, Our coun- scheming to get ahead. Some do try was under substantially the same and of exhaustion in the realiza- pacifists who have been assuring a

dumping upon us American securi-"International exchange was com- ties held abroad. High authority estimates that in the period of 21 "All European banks restricted or months after the war began we were compelled to absorb of these se-

public and private, for 30 days, and came upon us in a tidal wave withour financial structure stood like the

ican demands, European financial "Prof. Folwell of the Royal Inhouses drew on us for their com- stitution of London, declares this to front, while the kaiser's actual parmercial obligations, and within 10 be 'the most astounding financial ticipation in the campaigns in the

shortly began invading their metal- the democratic party, and the wise side by side with his subjects. quantities of poorly secured fiat of the treasurer, our financial ship, instead of riding the crest of the Peter of Serbia are unequaled, and waves of the world's troubled ocean as much might be said of the quiet "Our markets for many articles of finance, bearing safely a cargo endurance and hopefulness of Alwere for months cut off and the of prosperity, would have founder- bert of Beiglum. No; whether for course of trade interrupted. This ed upon the reefs of bankruptcy weal or woe, the kings, know what

our annual trade with Germany de- has the right to claim credit for the fight it out till a durable peace is clined from \$524,712,406 to \$14 - prosperity of this hour, because it in sight. revolutionized the republican finan-

generation to the next, subordinate

#### WE COULDN'T BE STARVED.

(Chicago Herald.) One worry of the fighting nations awake, the national chamber of commerce finds. The report of the ards, recently published, proves that

It would be necessary to get along without importations of coffee, tea

fled by the committee as luxuries. population of the country has inreased 200 per cent in half a century its food production has been increasing in the same period from 250 to 3,000 per cent in prime com-

wheat-has increased in production The production of rice shows the greatest increase, being 3,000 per cent, and barley comes, second with 2,000 per cent. Oats and Irish pomensely and complacently satisfied tatoes have increased in production 475 per cent and 250 per cent re-

The importation of luxuries is seld to be entirely a question of aste, and our extensive use of them an evidence of our ability to gratify vell get along without them, as was generally done in the south during proposition from not raising enough

A definite proof of surplus prothe succeeding harvest from 20 to

#### THE KINGS KNOW. (Philadelphia Ledger.)

Those ingenuous souls among the who started the war really knewwhat actual war meant they would not provoke it or keep it are arguing without their host. Never in all history have those at the head of things known what the actual horrors are more minutely than is the case just now. There is not a ed a moratorium upon all debts. "All of these untoward events king or an emporer or a president or a premier who has not been in the trenches and at the front in all seasons and on all occasions. The recent visit of King George to France merely repeats a previous trip to the east and in the west has been one "I boldly assert that if it had of the striking features of the war. "The belligerent governments very not been for the wise legislation of and the king of Italy has fought

For pathos, the sufferings and flight of Nichols of Montenegro and war means, and the knowledge has today. I instance the single fact that "The democratic party, therefore, not lessened their determination to

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